

REMARKS

The claims have been amended to further distinguish over the cited references. No new matter has been added.

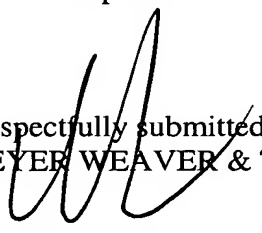
In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that all the claims are now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, allowance of the claims at the earliest possible date is requested.

If prosecution of this application can be assisted by telephone, the Examiner is requested to call Applicant's undersigned attorney at (510) 267-4106.

Please apply any other charges or credits to deposit account number 50-388 (Order No. LEWIP001).

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Respectfully submitted,
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